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ARMED SUSPECT SHOT AFTER FOOT CHASE WITH OFFICER

A Milwaukee Police Officer shot an armed suspect who turned on officers who were chasing him regarding his suspected involvement in a drug transaction.

The incident began about 2:20 p.m. October 1, 2008 in the area of N. 34th and W. Wright Streets when two uniformed Milwaukee Police officers spotted the suspect engaged in a drug transaction. The suspect ignored the officers' commands to stop and ran.

Two other uniformed police officers assigned to the special Captain's Car in District 3 also responded to the area and came upon the suspect. While confronting the armed suspect in a yard, one officer stopped the threat by firing his weapon at the suspect, striking him.

A semi-automatic handgun was recovered at the scene and the suspect was carrying ammunition in his pockets.

As of 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, the suspect was being treated at a local hospital and was in critical condition. None of the officers was injured in the incident.

The suspect, a 20-year-old male, has an extensive arrest record with the Milwaukee Police Department for armed robbery, recklessly endangering safety, pointing and aiming, domestic violence, violation of probation and drug arrests.

The officer involved in the incident is a 37-year-old male with 13 years of service. He is assigned to District 3. He was working on the Captain's Car, a detail where officers in District 3 seek the most violent suspects wanted for felonies in the city of Milwaukee.

As is standard operating procedure, the incident is under investigation by the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, and the officer was placed on administrative duty pending the completion of the investigation. The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office will make the final determination in the incident.

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